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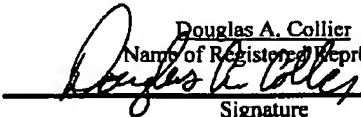
Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed September 13, 2007, and Final Office Action mailed June 19, 2007, please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks. A request for a one month extension of time along with the required fee is enclosed herewith. No additional fees or extensions of time are believed due for consideration of the enclosed. However, please provide any additional extensions of time necessary and charge any additional fees which may be due to Deposit Account No. 12-2424, but not to include any payment of issue fees.

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